

P-421/CI-88-152 ORDER ACCEPTING COMPLIANCE FILING, APPROVING
RATES, AND APPROVING CUSTOMER NOTICE

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of an
Investigation into Northwestern
Bell Telephone Company's
Optional Measured Service

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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On January 10, 1991, the Commission issued an Order authorizing U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST or the Company) to offer Optional Measured Service as a permanent service offering. In the same Order, the Commission required the Company to modify its rates for Optional Measured Service. On April 19, 1991, the Commission issued an Order after reconsideration affirming and clarifying the initial decision. In the same Order, the Commission required the Company to file proposed revised rates, an implementation schedule, and a proposed customer notice of the new rates. Under the proposed implementation schedule, new rates would become effective March 1, 1992.

On June 3, 1991, the Company made a compliance filing under the two Orders. On September 30, 1991, the Department of Public Service (the Department) filed comments on the filing. The Department supported the Company's proposed rates and recommended minor changes in the proposed customer notice. On October 10, 1991, the Company made a supplementary filing, including a revised customer notice incorporating the Department's recommendations.

The matter came before the Commission on November 5, 1991.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Commission finds that the rates, implementation schedule, and revised customer notice proposed by the Company comply with the terms of the January 10 and April 19 Orders and should be approved. The Commission will so order.

ORDER

1. The rates, implementation schedule, and revised customer notice filed in compliance with the January 10 and April 19 Orders in this proceeding are approved.
2. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Richard R. Lancaster
Executive Secretary

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